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1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM JAMES MURNANE REQUESTING THAT HIS RETURN TRAVEL TICKET BE CHANGED FROM KANO/LAGOS/NEW YORK TO A RETURN ROUTING BYPASSING LAGOS. MURNANE STATES HE WISHES AVOID LAGOS BECAUSE OF UNFAVORABLE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT.

2. MURNANE SAYS HE IS WILLING TO PAY COST OF NON-AMERICAN FLAG TRAVEL FROM KANO TO CAIRO (OR OTHER LOCATION WHERE CAN MAKE AMERICAN-FLAG CONNECTION) AND THEN TAKE TWA FLIGHT FROM CAIRO TO NEW YORK. (PER 6 FAM 134, WHAT MURNANE WOULD ACTUALLY HAVE TO PAY IS A) DIFFERENCE BETWEEN KANO/LAGOS/NEW YORK AND KANO/CAIRO/NEW YORK PLUS B) PENALTY EQUAL TO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DIRECT THROUGHFARE AND AUTHORIZED CARRIERS.)

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD CONSIDER AMENDING HIS GRANT TO AUTHORIZE RETURN ROUTING VIA KANO/ROME/NEW YORK WHICH IS UNCLASSIFIED

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APPROXIMATELY SAME MILEAGE ON AMERICAN FLAG CARRIERS AS KANO/LAGOS/NEW YORK, IF POST BELIEVES THAT MURNANE'S ANXIETIES REGARDING STOP IN LAGOS ARE JUSTIFIED. OTHERWISE, MURNANE SHOULD BE ISSUED NEW GTR WITH KANO/LAGOS/NEW YORK ROUTING AND PERMISSION TO REROUTE, AND POST SHOULD ADVISE HIM OF PENALTIES THAT HE IS OBLIGED TO PAY PER 6 FAM 134 AND REFTTEL.

4. PLEASE ADVISE. KISSINGER

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